

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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NSDI PROGRAMME IN RAJASTHAN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether NSDI programme was launched in Rajasthan during 1954 and the reimbursement of expenditure for NSDI and House keeping staff was made by the Union Government;
- (b) whether it is a fact that during 1972-73 even after entrusting control of this scheme to Rajasthan Government, the expenditure incurred on NSDI and House keeping staff continued to be borne by the Union Government;
- (c) if so, the total amount yet to be reimbursed by the Union Government to the State; and
- (d) the time by which the reimbursement of due amount is likely to be made?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a), (b), (c) & (d): The Department of Women and Child Development is not implementing the NSDI programme. However, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports is implementing a "National Discipline Scheme for Instructors (NDSI) programme".

The National Discipline Scheme was originally started in 1954 by the Ministry of Rehabilitation as a programme for instilling discipline and imparting training in mass drill among the younger generation. The Scheme was later transferred to the then Ministry of Education in 1958. It was later evolved into an integrated Scheme renamed as National Fitness Corps in 1965. From 1965 onwards, the question of transferring the employees under the NDSI/NFC Scheme to the State Governments started receiving attention of the Union Government. However, due to the unwillingness of the State Governments to take over the Staff/Instructors, mainly for fear of additional financial liability, the decision regarding transfer could not be implemented before 1972. Thereafter, the Central Government agreed to meet in full their expenditure on pay and allowances of all the absorbed staff, if necessary, for so long as they remained in service. The Union Government has been reimbursing to the State Governments, to the extent possible, the pay and allowances of the staff/Instructors from its limited Budget allocation.

Government of Rajasthan has projected an estimated cost during the year 2000-2001 to the tune of Rs. 284.76 lakh. During the last three years, Government of India has reimbursed a n amount of Rs. 210.00 lakh to Government of Rajasthan. During the current financial year, a grant of Rs. 15.00 lakh is being released to Government of Rajasthan.